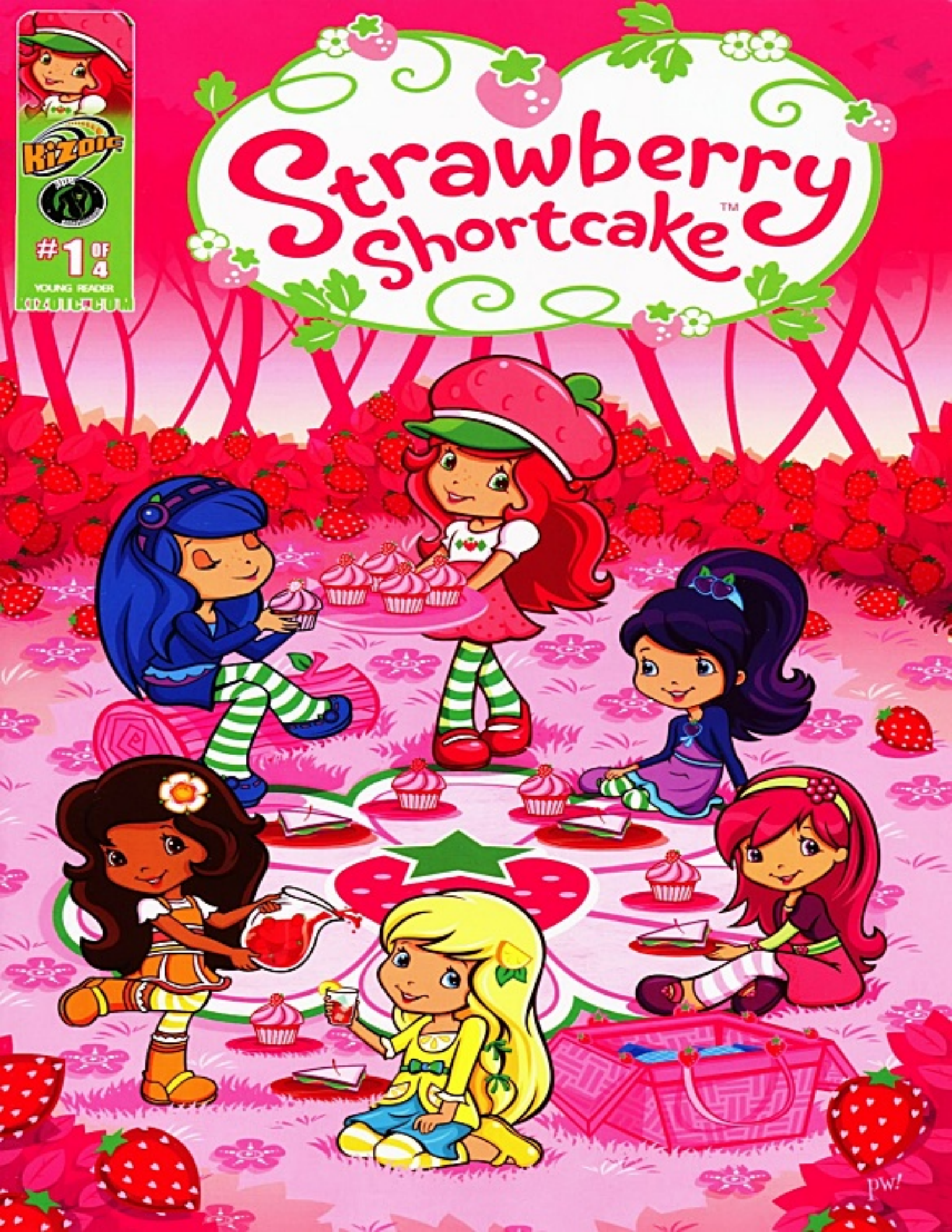
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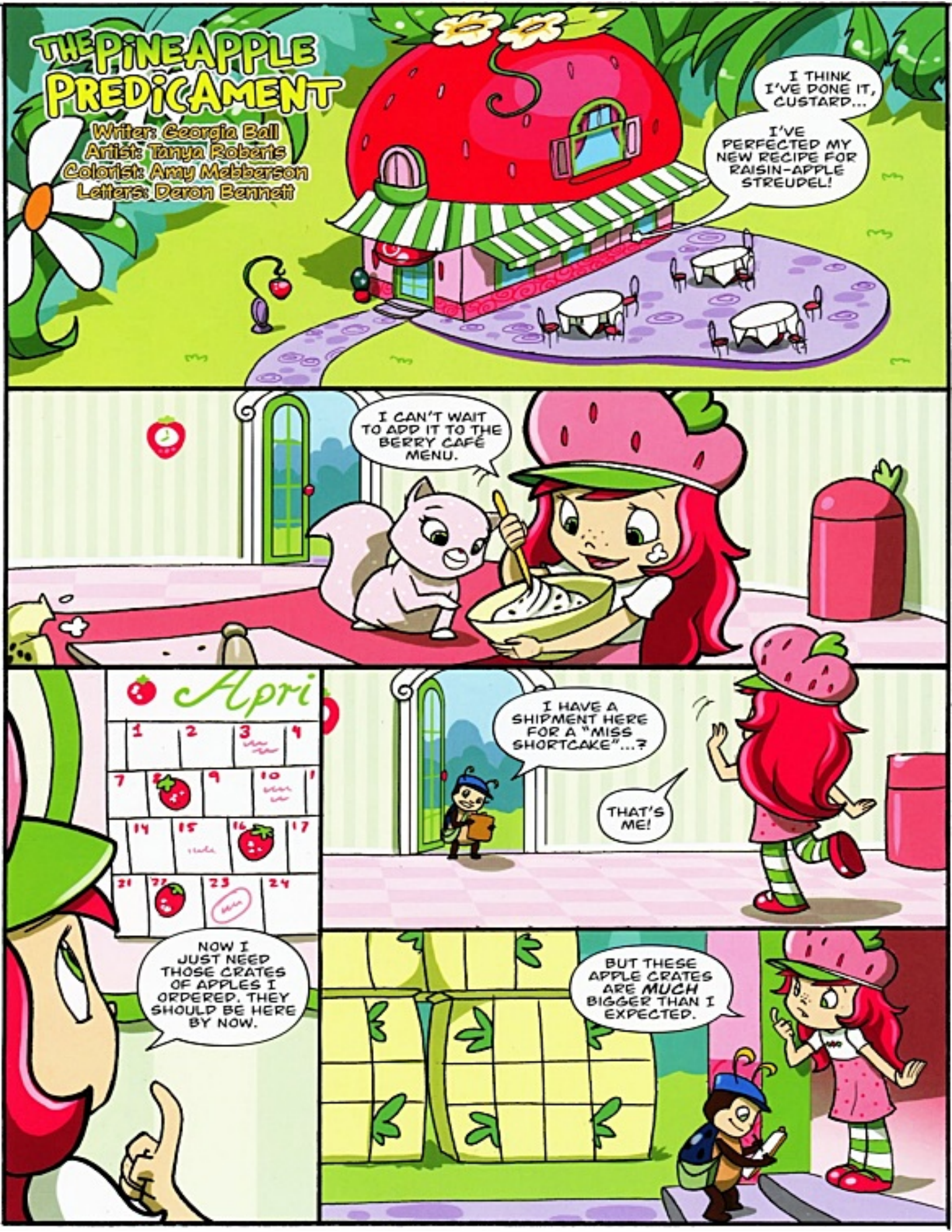
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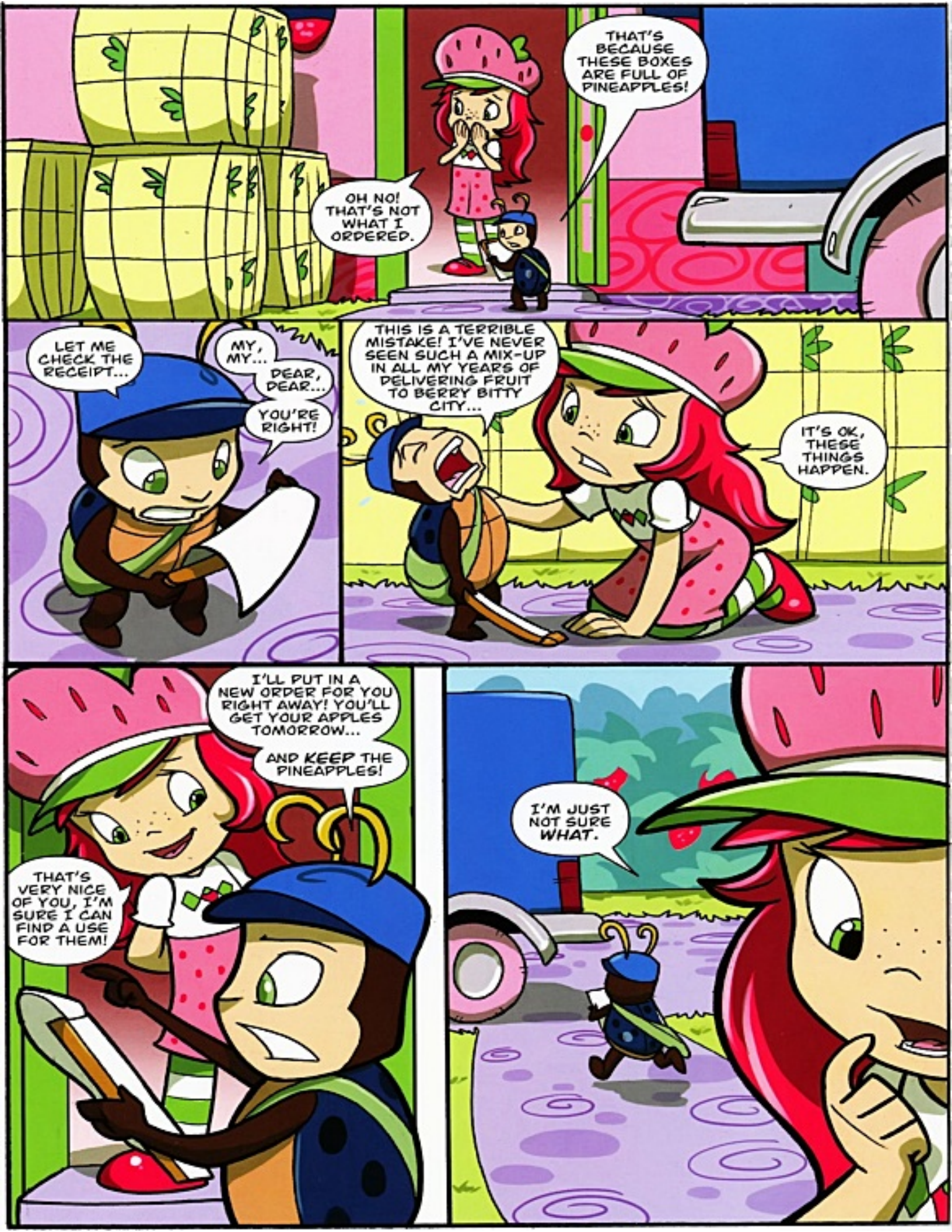
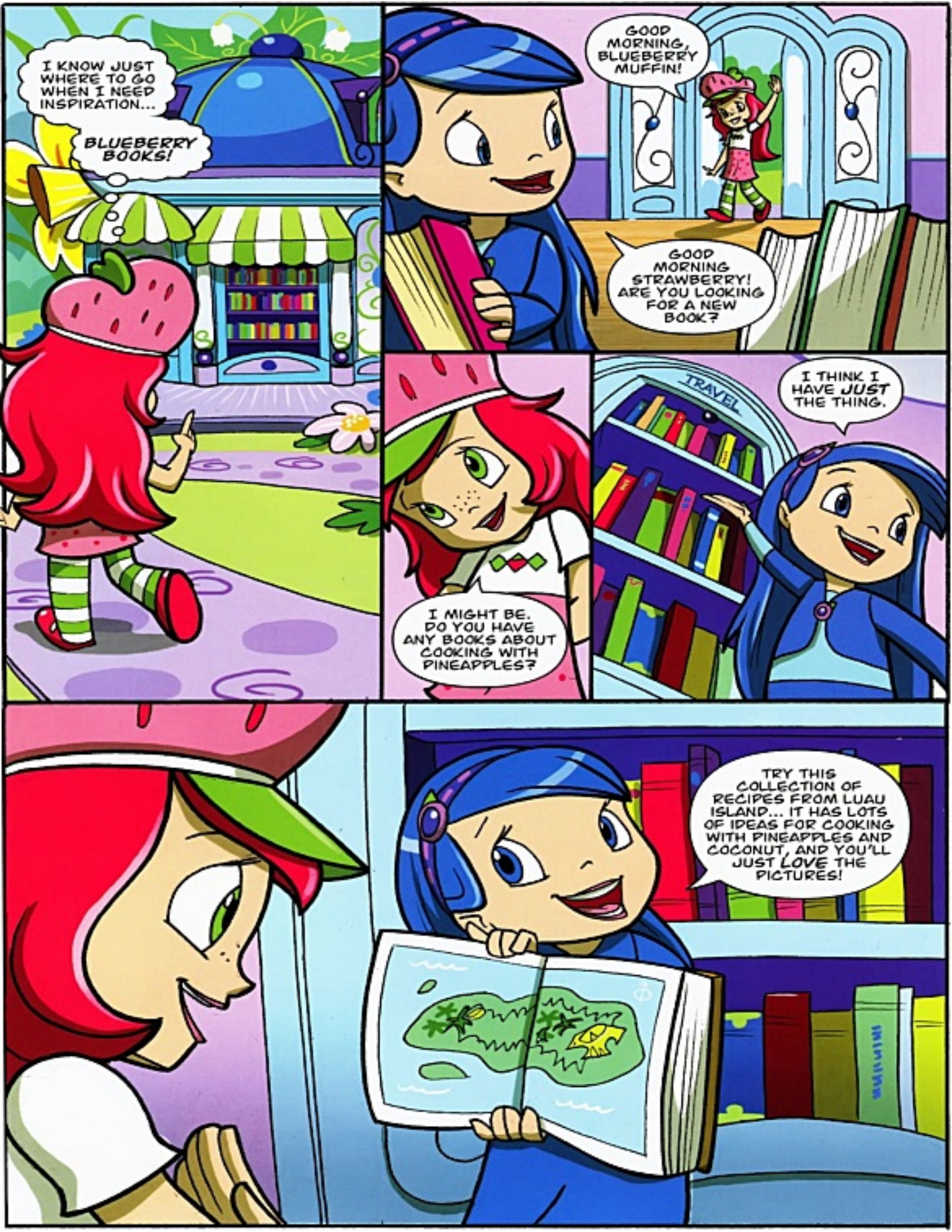
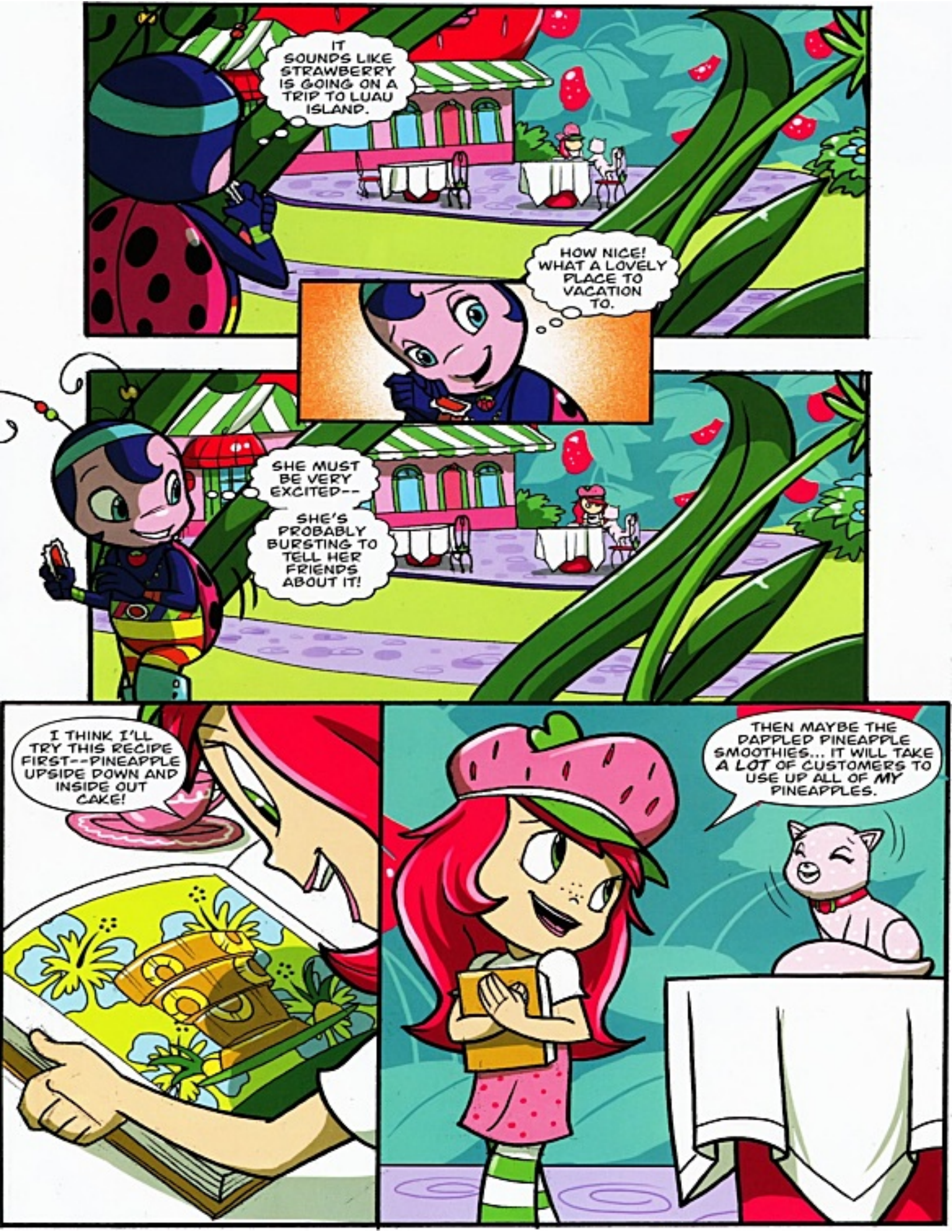
I THINK I'VE DONE IT, CUSTARD...
I'VE PERFECTED MY NEW RECIPE FOR RAISIN-APPLE STREUDEL!
I CAN'T WAIT TO ADD IT TO THE BERRY CAFÉ MENU.
Apri
NOW I JUST NEED THOSE CRATES OF APPLES I ORDERED. THEY SHOULD BE HERE BY NOW.
I HAVE A SHIPMENT HERE FOR A "MISS SHORTCAKE"...?
THAT'S ME!
BUT THESE APPLE CRATES ARE MUCH BIGGER THAN I EXPECTED.

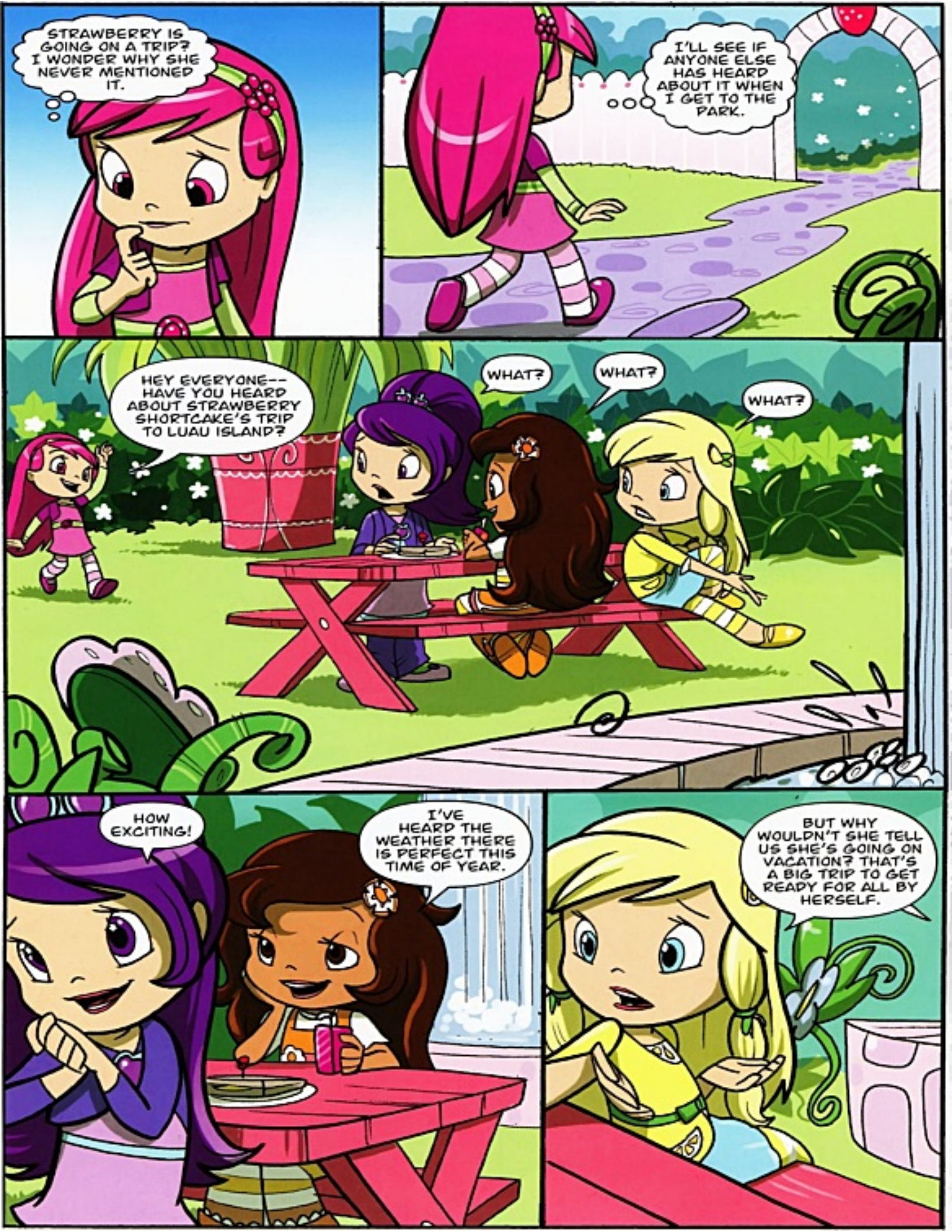

THAT'S BECAUSE THESE BOXES ARE FULL OF PINEAPPLES!
OH NO! THAT'S NOT WHAT I ORDERED.
LET ME CHECK THE RECEIPT...
MY, MY...
DEAR, DEAR...
YOU'RE RIGHT!
THIS IS A TERRIBLE MISTAKE! I'VE NEVER SEEN SUCH A MIX-UP IN ALL MY YEARS OF DELIVERING FRUIT TO BERRY BITTY CITY...
IT'S OK, THESE THINGS HAPPEN.
I'LL PUT IN A NEW ORDER FOR YOU RIGHT AWAY! YOU'LL GET YOUR APPLES TOMORROW...
AND KEEP THE PINEAPPLES!
THAT'S VERY NICE OF YOU, I'M SURE I CAN FIND A USE FOR THEM!
I'M JUST NOT SURE WHAT.


I KNOW JUST WHERE TO GO WHEN I NEED INSPIRATION...
BLUEBERRY BOOKS!
GOOD MORNING, BLUEBERRY MUFFIN!
GOOD MORNING STRAWBERRY! ARE YOU LOOKING FOR A NEW BOOK?
I MIGHT BE. DO YOU HAVE ANY BOOKS ABOUT COOKING WITH PINEAPPLES?
TRAVEL
I THINK I HAVE JUST THE THING.
TRY THIS COLLECTION OF RECIPES FROM LUAU ISLAND... IT HAS LOTS OF IDEAS FOR COOKING WITH PINEAPPLES AND COCONUT, AND YOU'LL JUST LOVE THE PICTURES!

THANKS BLUEBERRY, YOU'RE A LIFE-SAVER.
ANYTIME!
BACK AT THE BERRY CAFÉ...
THERE ARE A LOT OF CREATIVE ISLAND RECIPES IN THIS BOOK CUSTARD... I CAN'T DECIDE WHAT TO TRY FIRST.
I'M SURE I NEEDED SOMETHING AT ORANGE BLOSSOM'S STORE TODAY...
IF ONLY I COULD REMEMBER WHAT!
OH! THERE'S STRAWBERRY SHORTCAKE. I WONDER WHAT SHE'S READING?
JUST LOOK AT ALL OF THE COCONUT FLAKE PALM TREES AND WHITE SUGAR BEACHES...
LUAU ISLAND MUST BE A FANTASTIC PLACE TO VISIT!

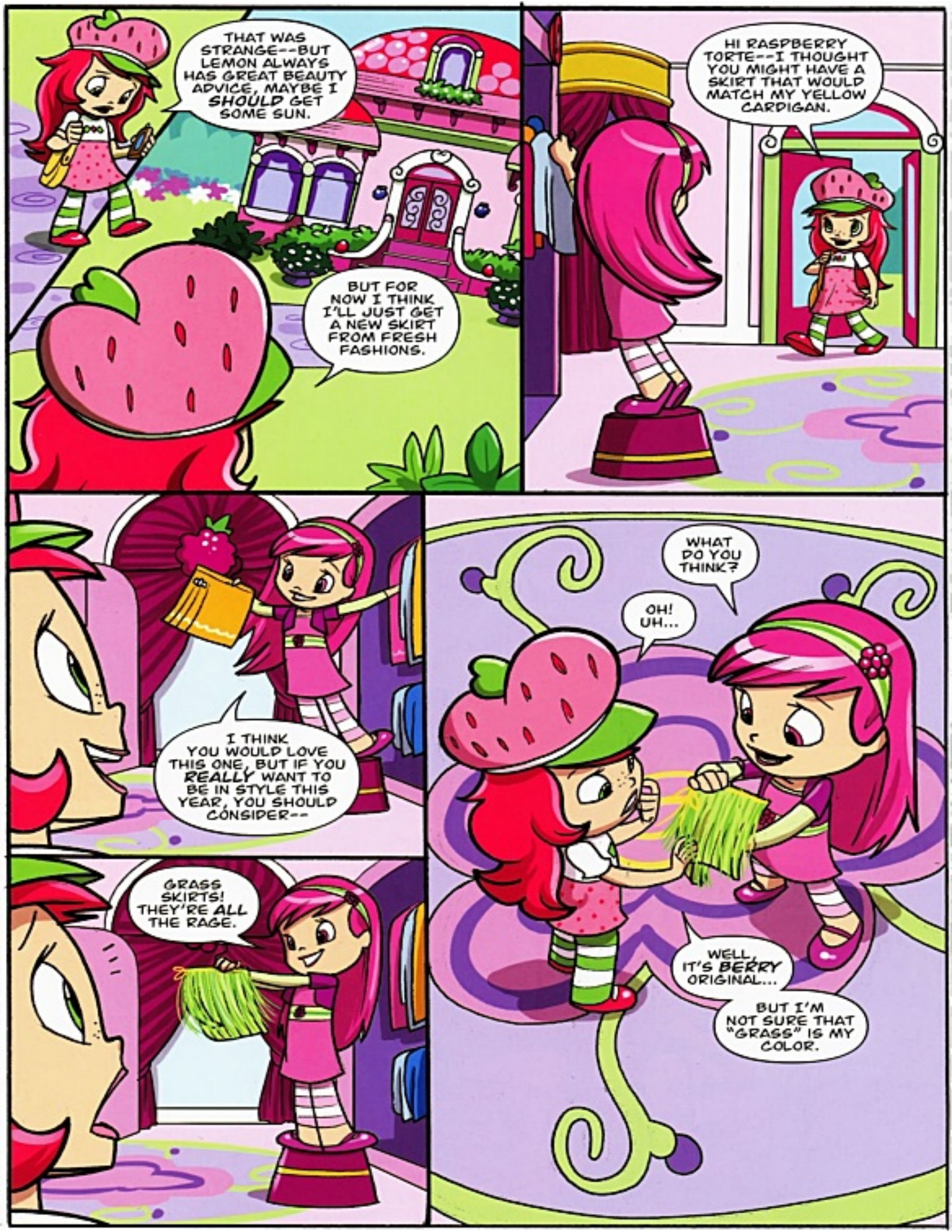

IT SOUNDS LIKE STRAWBERRY IS GOING ON A TRIP TO LUAU ISLAND.
HOW NICE! WHAT A LOVELY PLACE TO VACATION TO.
SHE MUST BE VERY EXCITED--
SHE'S PROBABLY BURSTING TO TELL HER FRIENDS ABOUT IT!
I THINK I'LL TRY THIS RECIPE FIRST--PINEAPPLE UPSIDE DOWN AND INSIDE OUT CAKE!
THEN MAYBE THE DAPPLED PINEAPPLE SMOOTHIES... IT WILL TAKE A LOT OF CUSTOMERS TO USE UP ALL OF MY PINEAPPLES.

I WISH I COULD REMEMBER WHAT I NEEDED TO BUY...
CRRAASH
IF I ONLY COULD-- OOF!
EEEEK!
I'M SO SORRY, RASPBERRY TORTE.
I JUST DON'T KNOW WHERE MY HEAD IS TODAY.
OH, THAT'S OK. NOTHING BROKEN.
NOW I REMEMBER! I WAS ON MY WAY TO REPLACE THE MAIL STAMP I LOST WHEN I HEARD ABOUT STRAWBERRY SHORTCAKE'S VACATION TO LUAU ISLAND!
BUT ISN'T THAT YOUR STAMP IN YOUR HAND?
OH!
SO IT IS! I GUESS I DON'T NEED ANYTHING AFTER ALL. WELL, SEE YOU LATER RASPBERRY!


STRAWBERRY IS GOING ON A TRIP? I WONDER WHY SHE NEVER MENTIONED IT.
I'LL SEE IF ANYONE ELSE HAS HEARD ABOUT IT WHEN I GET TO THE PARK.
HEY EVERYONE-- HAVE YOU HEARD ABOUT STRAWBERRY SHORTCAKE'S TRIP TO LUAU ISLAND?
WHAT?
WHAT?
WHAT?
HOW EXCITING!
I'VE HEARD THE WEATHER THERE IS PERFECT THIS TIME OF YEAR.
BUT WHY WOULDN'T SHE TELL US SHE'S GOING ON VACATION? THAT'S A BIG TRIP TO GET READY FOR ALL BY HERSELF.

WE SHOULD HELP HER GET READY TO GO.
HOW? MAYBE SHE DIDN'T WANT US TO KNOW ABOUT IT YET.
MAYBE IT WAS A SURPRISE.
WE CAN DO IT. WE'LL JUST HAVE TO BE A LITTLE SNEAKY.
MEANWHILE...
ALL OF THIS BAKING WILL BE A BIG JOB.
I'D BETTER GET MY ERRANDS DONE FIRST.
FIRST STOP--THE LEMON SALON.
HI LEMON MERINGUE!
ALOHA STRAWBERRY!

ALOHA? WHY DID YOU SAY "ALOHA"?
OH...NO REASON.
CAN I GET YOU ANYTHING IN PARTICULAR?
YES, I'M ALL OUT OF SHAMPOO.
OH, YOU CAN GET THAT ANYTIME.
BUT WHAT YOU REALLY SHOULD TRY IS THIS NEW COCOA BUTTER TANNING LOTION.
IT JUST CAME IN THIS WEEK!
IT SMELLS FANTASTIC--BUT I WASN'T PLANNING ON DOING ANY SUNBATHING FOR AWHILE.
OH, YOU NEVER KNOW... YOU JUST MIGHT GET THE URGE SOMETIME.
FOR SOME REASON.


THAT WAS STRANGE--BUT LEMON ALWAYS HAS GREAT BEAUTY ADVICE, MAYBE I SHOULD GET SOME SUN.
BUT FOR NOW I THINK I'LL JUST GET A NEW SKIRT FROM FRESH FASHIONS.
HI RASPBERRY TORTE--I THOUGHT YOU MIGHT HAVE A SKIRT THAT WOULD MATCH MY YELLOW CARDIGAN.
I THINK YOU WOULD LOVE THIS ONE, BUT IF YOU REALLY WANT TO BE IN STYLE THIS YEAR, YOU SHOULD CONSIDER--
GRASS SKIRTS! THEY'RE ALL THE RAGE.
WHAT DO YOU THINK?
OH! UH...
WELL, IT'S BERRY ORIGINAL...
BUT I'M NOT SURE THAT "GRASS" IS MY COLOR.

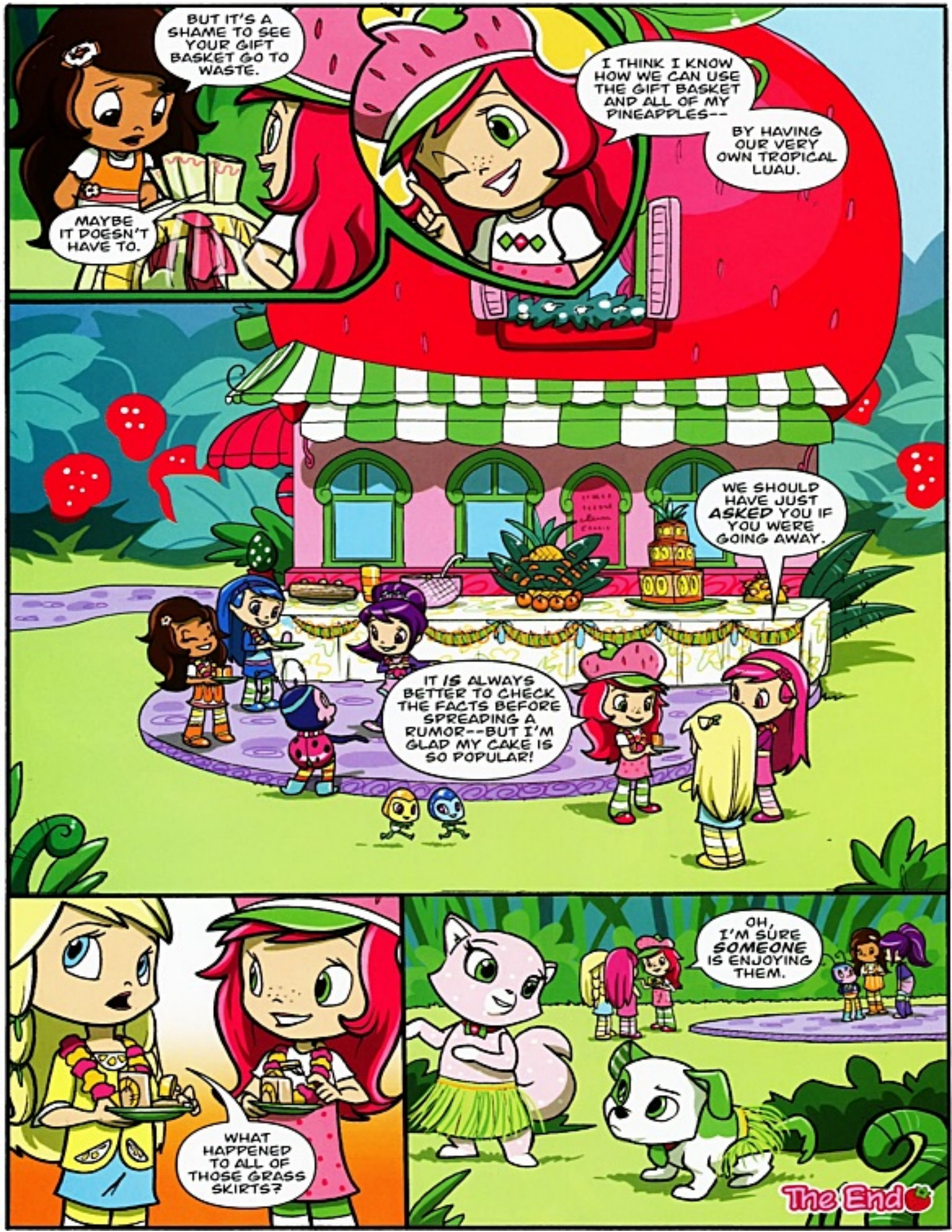
I'LL THINK ABOUT IT FOR AWHILE--THANKS ANYWAY!
RASPBERRY TORTE MAY KNOW ALL ABOUT TRENDS, BUT THAT FASHION STATEMENT IS TOO WILD FOR ME!
STRAWBERRY! WAIT!
HI PLUM PUDDING, WHAT'S UP?
I'M SO GLAD I CAUGHT YOU...YOU JUST HAVE TO COME BY MY DANCE STUDIO TONIGHT.
I'M TEACHING HULA LESSONS!
BECAUSE YOU NEVER KNOW--
WHEN YOU MIGHT END UP DANCING ON AN EXOTIC ISLAND--
JUST BY COINCIDENCE.
WELL, I HAVE SO MUCH BAKING TO DO TONIGHT-- MAYBE ANOTHER TIME.

LATER THAT DAY...
WHAT A DISASTER! WE'LL NEVER BE ABLE TO HELP STRAWBERRY SHORTCAKE THIS WAY.
AT THIS RATE SHE WON'T HAVE ANYTHING SHE NEEDS FOR HER TRIP TO LUAU ISLAND.
I HAVE AN IDEA...
THERE MUST BE A BETTER WAY.
LET'S MAKE HER A GOING-AWAY GIFT BASKET!
I LOVE IT!
WE CAN ALL PUT SOMETHING IN IT.

LATER...
I HOPE THIS WILL BE ENOUGH.
IT HAD BETTER BE OR SHE'LL HAVE TO BRING AN EXTRA SUITCASE!
I'M GIVING HER A CAMERA SO SHE'LL BRING BACK LOTS OF PICTURES.
I THINK THE BASKET HAS AS MUCH AS IT CAN HOLD--NOW LET'S GO FIND STRAWBERRY AND SURPRISE HER!
WHY IS EVERYONE OBSESSED WITH THE ISLANDS TODAY?
IS THERE A TROPICAL FEVER GOING AROUND?

WELL, I GUESS I'D BETTER GET STARTED ON THOSE PINEAPPLE UPSIDE-DOWN-INSIDE-OUT CAKES.
THERE SHE IS.
ON MY COUNT-- ONE, TWO, THREE...
SURPRISE!!!
WHAT A BEAUTIFUL GIFT BASKET.
IT'S JUST FOR YOU, STRAWBERRY. ENJOY YOUR TRIP!
THANK YOU SO BERRY MUCH--BUT I'M NOT GOING ON A TRIP.

WHAT DO YOU MEAN?
AREN'T YOU GOING TO LUAU ISLAND?
WELL, NO...WHY DID YOU THINK I WAS?
BUT YOU SAID--
ME??
BECAUSE YOU SAID--
BECAUSE JADIE BUG SAID--
TO TELL YOU THE TRUTH, WE DON'T KNOW HOW THE IDEA GOT AROUND SO FAST.
ME EITHER.
SOUNDS LIKE IT WAS JUST A RUMOR.


BUT IT'S A SHAME TO SEE YOUR GIFT BASKET GO TO WASTE.
MAYBE IT DOESN'T HAVE TO.
I THINK I KNOW HOW WE CAN USE THE GIFT BASKET AND ALL OF MY PINEAPPLES--
BY HAVING OUR VERY OWN TROPICAL LUAU.
WE SHOULD HAVE JUST ASKED YOU IF YOU WERE GOING AWAY.
IT IS ALWAYS BETTER TO CHECK THE FACTS BEFORE SPREADING A RUMOR--BUT I'M GLAD MY CAKE IS SO POPULAR!
WHAT HAPPENED TO ALL OF THOSE GRASS SKIRTS?
OH, I'M SURE SOMEONE IS ENJOYING THEM.
The End

AH-CHOOOO!
EXCUSE ME, GIRLS.
THAT WAS SOME SNEEZE, STRAWBERRY! I THINK IT BLEW SOME BERRIES OFF THEIR BUSHES!
ARE YOU OK?
I DON'T FEEL BERRY WELL AT ALL, LEMON.
I'M KIND OF WEAK... AND TIRED...
OH NO, STRAWBERRY!
YOU'VE GOT SPOTS! BLUE SPOTS!
IT'S THE
BLUEBERRY FLU!
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THE FLU? I CAN'T HAVE THE FLU!
IT'S ALMOST LUNCHTIME, AND I HAVE TO RUN THE CAFE!
DON'T WORRY, STRAWBERRY...
...WE'LL TAKE CARE OF EVERYTHING!
REALLY? BUT WHAT ABOUT YOUR STORE? AND THE SALON?
OH, I CAN CLOSE THE ORANGE MART FOR A FEW HOURS TO HELP A FRIEND.
AND I CAN RESCHEDULE MY APPOINTMENTS UNTIL YOU GET BETTER!
IT WILL BE OUR PLEASURE!!!
YOU TWO...
KAFF KAFF
...ARE THE BERRY BEST FRIENDS A GIRL COULD HAVE.
HOW CAN I EVER THANK YOU?
NO THANKS NECESSARY!
JUST GO UPSTAIRS, TUCK YOURSELF INTO BED AND GET WELL!

ARE YOU READY?
YOU BET!
ONE STRAWBERRY SHAKE, COMING RIGHT UP!
HERE'S YOUR SANDWICH, RASPBERRY!
THANK YOU BERRY MUCH! IT LOOKS GREAT!
AND WHAT CAN I GET YOU?
A CUP OF PASSION FRUIT TEA, PLEASE. AND TOAST, WITH JAM ON THE SIDE.
WHAT FLAVOR?
BLUEBERRY, OF COURSE!
Menu
HOW ABOUT AN ORANGE SMOOTHIE, ORANGE?
MY SPECIALTY! COMING RIGHT UP!
THIS IS THE BEST SANDWICH I'VE EVER HAD! MY COMPLIMENTS TO THE CHEF!
I'LL BE SURE TO TELL HER!
WE'RE A HIT! STRAWBERRY WILL BE SO... UH OH!
WAY TO GO, PLUM!
NO PROBLEM WHATSOEVER!

THANKS AGAIN FOR A WONDERFUL LUNCH!
WHEW! I HAD FUN, BUT I CAN'T BELIEVE HOW BUSY WE WERE!
RUNNING A CAFÉ IS A LOT HARDER THAN RUNNING A SALON. I DON'T KNOW HOW STRAWBERRY DOES IT!
COME ON, YOU TWO...
... WE'RE NOT DONE JUST YET!
LET'S FINISH UP SO WE CAN GO UPSTAIRS AND CHECK ON STRAWBERRY!
SOUNDS LIKE A PLAN, PLUM!
ABSOLUTELY! WE PROMISED TO HELP STRAWBERRY SO SHE COULD GET HEALTHY, AND THAT'S WHAT WE'RE GOING TO DO!
SO HOW ARE YOU FEELING, STRAWBERRY?
A LOT BETTER, ORANGE, THANKS FOR ASKING.
AND THANKS FOR ALL YOUR HELP TODAY! IT REALLY MADE A DIFFERENCE.
DON'T MENTION IT! WE HAD A BLAST!
THEN WHY DON'T YOU GUYS COME BACK TO THE CAFÉ TOMORROW?
UM, REALLY?
SURE! BUT THIS TIME...
...THE SMOOTHIES ARE ON ME!
The End

SPECIAL DELIVERY
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GOOD MORNING, ORANGE! WHERE ARE YOU OFF TO?
WE'RE GOING OVER TO STRAWBERRY'S HOUSE FOR A LITTLE PEPPERMINT CAKE AND HOT COCOA. YOU SHOULD JOIN US!
MAYBE A LITTLE LATER. I'M ON MY WAY TO THE POST OFFICE. I'M HOPING MY SISTER'S HOLIDAY CARD HAS ARRIVED.
YOUR SISTER! I HAVEN'T SEEN HER IN AGES. HOW'S SHE BEEN?
WELL, I'M NOT SURE. I ALMOST NEVER GET TO SEE HER. SHE SENDS ME A HOLIDAY CARD EVERY YEAR TO LET ME KNOW WHAT SHE'S UP TO.
HOW WONDERFUL!
DON'T LET US HOLD YOU UP. WE'LL SEE YOU LATER, ORANGE BLOSSOM!
THANK YOU! TELL STRAWBERRY TO KEEP THE COCOA WARM!

WHY, HAPPY HOLIDAYS, MISS ORANGE.
THANK YOU, MR. LONGFACE. HAPPY HOLIDAYS TO YOU AS WELL!
HELLO, ORANGE. WHAT CAN I DO FOR YOU TODAY?
I'M SORRY. IT HASN'T SHOWN UP YET. BUT DON'T YOU WORRY. IT'S STILL EARLY. THERE'S PLENTY OF TIME FOR IT TO SHOW UP BEFORE THE HOLIDAYS.
I'M JUST CHECKING TO SEE IF MY SISTER'S HOLIDAY CARD HAS ARRIVED.
LATER...
SO DID YOU GET YOUR SISTER'S HOLIDAY CARD?
NO, IT HASN'T SHOWN UP YET. BUT THAT'S OKAY. I'M SURE I'LL GET IT SOON.
THE NEXT DAY...
HI, POSTMASTER BUMBLEBEE! DID MY SISTER'S CARD ARRIVE?
NOT YET, BUT GIVE IT TIME, ORANGE BLOSSOM. I'M SURE IT'LL BE HERE SOON.

I'M SORRY, ORANGE, BUT IT HASN'T SHOWN UP YET. HOPEFULLY, IT'LL BE HERE TOMORROW.
15 DEC
NOT TODAY. BUT THERE'S STILL TIME. DON'T WORRY.
19 DEC
I'M SORRY, ORANGE. I DON'T KNOW WHAT TO SAY. YOUR SISTER'S CARD DIDN'T COME.
24 DEC
SNIFF...I DON'T KNOW WHY SHE DIDN'T S-SEND IT. SHE ALWAYS... SNIFF...SENDS ME A HOLIDAY CARD. DID SHE F-FORGET ABOUT ME?
OF COURSE NOT, DEAR. YOU HAVE TO UNDERSTAND, THE HOLIDAYS ARE A BUSY TIME FOR EVERYONE. OCCASIONALLY, THINGS GET OVERLOOKED.
BUT YOU SHOULDN'T FEEL SAD. AFTER ALL, CARDS AND PRESENTS ARE NICE, BUT THE BEST GIFT OF ALL DURING THE HOLIDAYS IS TO KNOW THAT YOU'RE LOVED. AND THIS TOWN...
...IS FULL OF PEOPLE WHO CARE ABOUT YOU!
HAPPY HOLIDAYS, ORANGE!
YOU MAY NOT HAVE YOUR CARD, BUT JUST LOOK AT ALL OF THE THINGS YOU DO HAVE.
WHAT I DO HAVE...

YOU'RE BELOVED BY SO MANY PEOPLE, ORANGE. YOU HAVE YOUR FRIENDS, THE TOWN, THE BERRYKINS...AND YOUR SISTER!
AFTER ALL, OCCASIONALLY THOSE THINGS HAVE A WAY OF SURPRISING YOU IN THE MOST WONDERFUL OF WAYS...
FOCUS ON ALL OF THE GREAT THINGS YOU DO HAVE THIS HOLIDAY SEASON, AND I PROMISE IT'LL BE THE BEST ONE EVER.
POSTMASTER BUMBLEBEE IS RIGHT. I DON'T NEED A CARD TO KNOW MY SISTER CARES ABOUT ME...AND I AM PRETTY FORTUNATE TO HAVE SUCH GREAT FRIENDS HERE IN BERRY BITTY CITY.
STRAWBERRY? LEMON? WHAT ARE YOU ALL DOING HERE?
WELL, I THOUGHT ABOUT WHAT YOU SAID ABOUT NOT GETTING TO SEE YOUR SISTER VERY OFTEN, AND SO WE DECIDED TO SURPRISE YOU THIS YEAR...
SISTER!
YOUR FRIENDS WROTE ME BEFORE I HAD A CHANCE TO MAIL MY CARD AND CONVINCED ME TO COME VISIT YOU RATHER THAN WRITING A CARD THIS YEAR.
IT'S SO GOOD TO SEE YOU.
THANK YOU, ALL OF YOU. YOU'VE MADE THIS THE BERRY BEST HOLIDAY THAT I COULD EVER ASK FOR.
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